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Attention Executive Directors

Subject: Annual Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Report to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for the Federal Fiscal Year 1999/2000

This is a request for information regarding Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program projects that were obligated during the 1999/2000 Federal Fiscal Year (FFY). Federal guidelines related to the CMAQ Program require the Department to submit an annual report that includes a listing of each CMAQ project and associated information including an expanded project description and specific pollutant emission reduction data to the FHWA. Your cooperation and assistance in providing the information requested below will greatly facilitate preparation and timely release of the annual report to FHWA. Please submit updated project lists or new project information sheets no later than February 9, 2001 to:

Department of Transportation Transportation Programming, MS82 Attn: Cathy Gomes P.O. Box 942874 Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Attachment I is a listing of obligated CMAQ projects for FFY 1999/00. This information was obtained from approved federal CMAQ Program obligations from October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000. Please carefully review and update the project listing as necessary. In particular, please provide an expanded project description and anticipated emission reduction data. Emission reduction data should have been developed and used in your project selection/prioritization process and will be utilized in preparation of the annual report.

Projects included in an Overall Work Plan (OWP) are not identified within Attachment I. If your region obligated CMAQ funds for projects through your OWP, please identify those projects and provide a project information sheet (Attachment II).

The CMAQ information will be used to assess the Program's effectiveness, and in the Federal Department of Transportation's report to Congress. This information will also assist in the study by the National Academy of Sciences, to evaluate the CMAQ Program's effectiveness, to be reported to Congress, as required by the Transportation Equity Act of the 21st Century (TEA 21), Section 1110.



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To assist you in providing the information requested above, the following files are available electronically:

- 1) 1999/2000 FFY CMAQ Project Listing (Attachment I);
- 2) 1999/2000 Project Information Sheet (Attachment II);
- 3) The handbook "Methods to Find the Cost-Effectiveness of Funding Air Quality Projects, 1999 Edition". Distribution of the handbook occurred last year.
- 4) Street Sweeper Methodology (Attachment III). This is a new methodology available for use.
- 5) A Microsoft Access database file which automatically calculates emission reductions and cost-effectiveness. The database has been updated to include the Street Sweeper Methodology.

To request any of these items, submit an email to cathy.gomes@dot.ca.gov.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Cathy Gomes at (916) 654-3271.

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Attachments

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